GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA

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UPGRADATION OF NAGPUR AIRPORT
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have received any proposal from the Government of Maharashtra seeking approval for upgradation of the Nagpur airport to an international airport and constructing a cargo hub thereby utilising the vacant defence land available there; and

(b) if so, the reaction of the Union Government thereto?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES)

(a) & (b): A proposal had been received in December, 1998 from the Chief Minister of Maharashtra for construction of an international cargo hub at Nagpur, on defence land. The proposal, however, could not be accepted due to operational requirement of this land by the Indian Air Force.